

Psychiatric Technician (NEC HM-8485)



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*Program Overview &
Requirements*

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This course is designed to provide the student(s) with entry level knowledge, skills, and communication techniques needed to assess/evaluate military personnel and their family members in need of mental health care. The course will also provide entry level knowledge, skills,Cont.

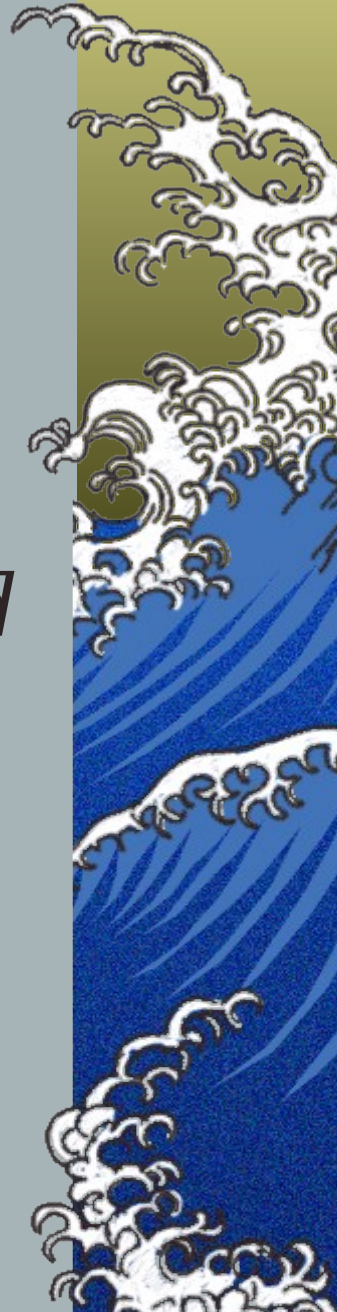
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Cont...and communication techniques in the areas of human development, psychological disorders, psychological testing, consultation, interviewing, and counseling,



SCOPE:

This course combines didactic classroom instruction, closely supervised practical exercises, and intensive, closely supervised clinical practicum. Emphasis is placed on communication skills, psychological testing, assessment procedures, interviewing, and counseling approaches. Students will learn how to formulate



Training Sites

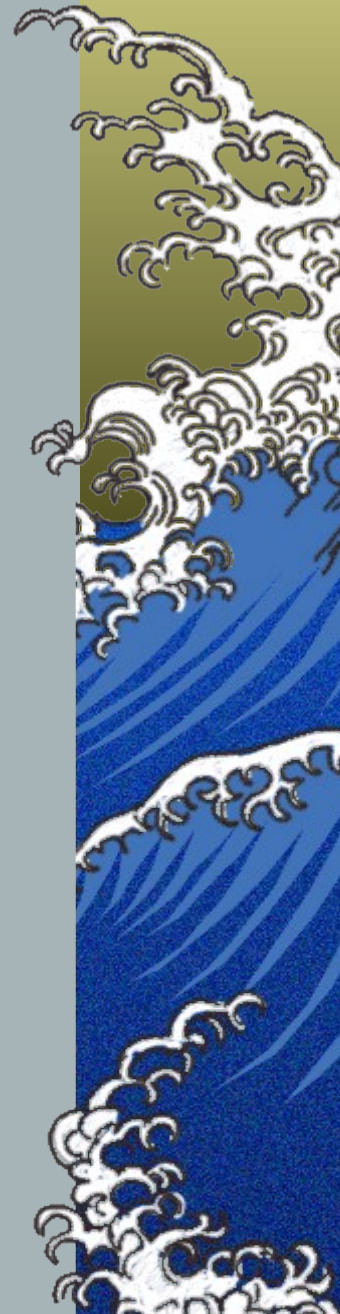
The course is given at Naval School of Health Sciences, Portsmouth, VA. It is a 15 Week course. Some of the sites you will get to see are: Inpatient Mental Health Units, Medical Treatment Facilities, and Ship Board operational assignments of an 8485.



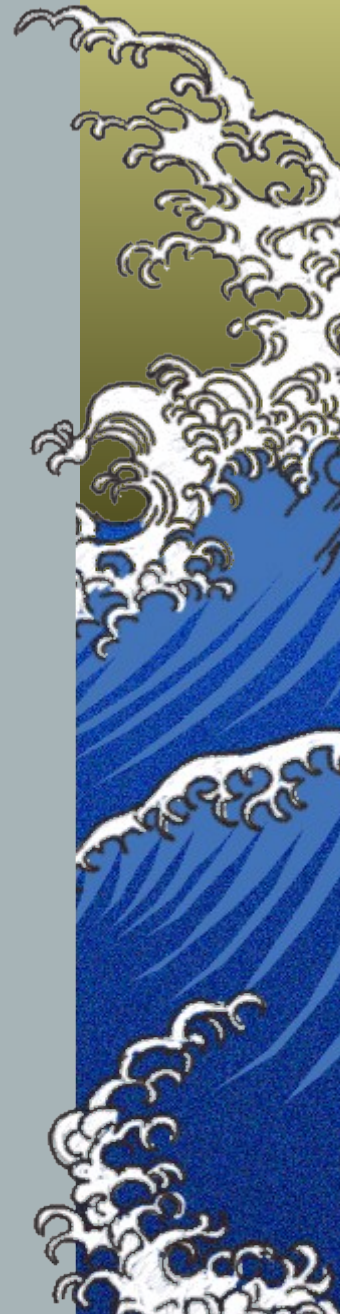
Patient Transportation



Inpatient Psychiatric Unit



Patient Counseling (not actual patient)



Seclusion Room



Special Deployment Units.

Psychiatric Technicians do more than just inpatient care. We deploy with the Marines, we are billeted for Carriers, and we also have our own Specialty Unit.



U.S. NAVY
SPECIAL PSYCHIATRIC
RAPID INTERVENTION
TEAM

S.P.R.I.N.T.



Concept of SPRINT

In Jan. 1977, staff at the Naval Hospital Portsmouth Psych. Dept. observed that the kinds of psychological problems generated by military-related disasters



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similar to those encountered by the battlefield soldiers. It was decided that the same methods developed during WWI and WWII to treat combat related trauma could be used to



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Accordingly, a team of mental health professionals trained in the use of these techniques called Special Psychiatric Rapid Intervention Team (SPRINT) was established. SPRINT teams are located at the three major Naval Hospitals; San Diego, Portsmouth



Functional Aspects of SPRINT

Preparation Phase

Pre-deployment Phase

Deployment Phase

Planning with the Command

*Treatment and Memorial
Services*

Debriefing



Psych School (8485)

Prerequisites

- *Must be E-1 through E-4*
- *Must be physically qualified for transfer per MANMED and TRANSMAN.*
- *Must be physically fit and within Navy PFA standards.*
- *Minimum time in service remaining required upon completion of course; Navy 36*



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Prerequisites

- *Applicants with "substance abuse" history or "waivers" are not normally accepted into training*
- *Submit a NAVPERS 1306/7 requesting the HM-8485 C School*
- *Copy of service record pages 3/4, 5 and 9.*



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Prerequisites

- *Copy of performance evaluations for the past 3 years. Must include at least one evaluation prepared by the applicant's current command*
- *No non judicial punishment, court martial or civil court action in the past 3 years*



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Prerequisites

- An interview with a psychiatrist, psychologist, or if not available, with a senior medical department representative, preferably within the same or related clinical or technical speciality. This shall include results of the psychological evaluation for applicant's potential for successful interaction with psychiatric patients



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Prerequisites

- *High Year Tenure (HYT): E-3 and below applicants must submit a copy of the latest advancement exam profile sheet, if exam PNA'd, to reflect eligibility to attain required obligated service. All others, as applicable, must submit a request for HYT*



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Prerequisites

- *Applicant must be fully qualified to perform all duties required of the NEC worldwide: wherever a billet or a mobilization requirement exists. An applicant for this program is acknowledging that, upon graduation, he/she will be available for a utilization tour assignment to any one of these billets worldwide*



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*This a challenging,
rewarding, and exciting
career field that is
beneficial for our
Sailors, Marines, and
their families.*



Questions ?



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